

INDICTMENT OF PROHIBITION AGENT DESIRED

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LATTER EXPLAINS

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Jersey City, N. J., Dec. 12. — United States District Attorney Walter G. Wann will ask the federal grand jury next Tuesday for the indictment of Albert (Boss) Ransom, federal prohibition agent working in connection with R. Q. Merrick, regional director of prohibition in New York, on a charge of malfeasance in connection with the Weehawken liquor conspiracy. Prosecutors John Milton announced after Ransom's appearance before the Hudson county grand jury today. Milton declined to divulge the basis on the charge or to make any statement as to what took place during the three-hour hearing.

Ransom later told newspaper men that he was "tipped off" as to the expected arrival of a cargo of liquor on the Weehawken water front on the night of November 21, by William P. Verdon, Republican leader of Hoboken and that, accompanied by David J. Allen, who recently was dismissed from his position as purchasing agent for the Atlantic penitentiary by Attorney General Stone, he went in a taxicab to the anticipated landing place of the liquor shipment. Ransom said he took Allen with him as witness and that he was innocent of complicity in the conspiracy.

Ransom asserted that he and Allen concealed themselves near the road leading from the waterfront. As a truck which Ransom said he suspected of containing liquor, passed the spot, the agent commanded it to halt and told the driver and his two helpers they were under arrest.

New York Police May Be Involved.

Ransom then boarded the truck, according to his story, and with the chauffeur to drive it to the nearby Weehawken police station. At this point, Ransom said, the driver's assistants jumped off the truck and ran away, and as Ransom was taking the driver into the police station this man also made his escape. Ransom explained that he did not attempt to recapture them because he feared he would lose the evidence he supposed the truck contained.

The agent said he then reported the seizure to the police, who learned on investigation that there was no liquor in the truck. The police told him, he asserted, that the truck probably was a decoy sent ahead of the regular liquor caravan to ascertain whether the "coast was clear."

Ransom said he was offered \$1,000 by another federal agent to release the truck before the investigation, but refused. When he found it contained no liquor, he asserted, he released it voluntarily. He did not explain what happened to it after that.

A federal grand jury in New York today indicted Michael J. Kelly, a dismissed New York patrolman, and two others, on charges of impeding revenue officers. Attaches of United States District Attorney Hayward's office said this action may open the way for the implication of a number of New York policemen in bootlegging activities linked with the Weehawken scandal.

DETECTIVE RAGUCCI NOT YET EXAMINED

Efforts to Reorganize Schenectady
Police Department Progress
But Little

Schenectady, Dec. 12. — Examination of Detective Sergeant Diamante failed to determine his physical fitness to remain in the Schenectady Police Department, ordered for today by Mayor William W. Campbell. Diamante was held before Saturday, was postponed until tomorrow. As a consequence efforts to re-organize the department, disrupted since the shakeup caused by the murder two weeks ago tonight of Acting Police Captain Albert L. Youmans, apparently had no progress.

Mayor Campbell declared he was starting "official word" from Washington regarding his request to the War Department for the loan of Major L. E. Lister as chief of the Schenectady police, referring to consider as a letter from Senator James W. Wadsworth, Jr., of New York, informing the mayor the administration opposed such action, as a general policy.

DOWN THREE MORE SLAVINGS

Hannover, Germany, Dec. 12. — Fritz Harnmann, on trial for the murder of more than a score of men and boys, today admitted three additional murders. Attorneys for both the plaintiff and defense have agreed to cut the testimony of parents and relatives of the victims as short as possible, so the trials on these witnesses is being speeded along.

SILVER POTS STOLEN FROM BREWING FARM

Stoughton, Dec. 12. — Nine silver pots valued at \$1,500 apiece were stolen from a silver farm near Windsor, this county, early today by thieves who drove away in a motor truck. A search by State troopers through southern New York and northern Pennsylvania today failed to produce any clue. When in possession a large number were kept had been cut and the animals taken alive.

MRS. COOLIDGE GRANTED DEGREE

Boston University Makes Her Doctor
of Laws—Already Possessed
Bachelor of Arts Degree

Boston, Mass., Dec. 12. — The first lady of the land, a graduate of the University of Vermont, and once teacher of a country school, returned today to academic scenes and educational activities and ceremonies at which Boston University added to the degree of bachelor of arts which she held, its own honorary degree of doctor of laws. It was "Grace Goodhue Coolidge, student, university graduate, teacher, daughter, wife, mother, whose fine qualities of mind and heart," have gained the confidence, admiration and love of the American people," that President Lemuel H. Murlin conferred on the wife of the President the hood of purple, with trimmings of red and white.

The occasion for the award was the induction into office as dean of women at Boston University of Mrs. Lucy Jenkins Franklin, brought from the middle west to create the office. For the occasion the Boston university also honored with its degree of doctor of laws its own daughter, Miss Marion Talbot, one of the outstanding deans of women among the colleges of the middle west in her position at the University of Chicago.

Dean Talbot, remarking that 160,000 women were receiving education today, said the field of women's academic opportunities was widening and offered every encouragement.

MORTIMER ALTERS ACCOUNT GREATLY

Admits He and Forbes Did Not
Take Certain Trip to Atlantic
City in March, 1922

(By the Associated Press.)

Chicago, Dec. 12. — Elias H. Mortimer's story of corruption, waste, and collusion in the Veterans' bureau during Charles R. Forbes' regime as director was modified in important detail today from the witness stand in federal court.

Completing their five day cross-examination of Mortimer in the trial of Forbes and J. W. Thompson, contractor, for conspiracy to defraud the government, defense counsel drew from the witness the admission that his entire testimony before the senate committee last year in relation to a trip with Forbes to Atlantic City, N. J. in March, 1922, was erroneous. He made no such trip, he testified, but repeated testimony concerning a trip to the same city with Forbes in May and June of the same year.

James S. Easton-Smith, counsel for Forbes, asserted the reputation of the senate testimony concerning the March trip will have an important bearing on the entire story told by Mortimer about his relations with Forbes.

RAILROAD ALLEGED TO HAVE VIOLATED CITY ORDINANCE

Buffalo, Dec. 12. — City Judge Hager today ruled that the New York Central railroad must stand trial for alleged violation of a city ordinance prohibiting operation within the city limits of locomotives emitting steam or smoke. The railroad had brought action asking that the complaint of the Buffalo corporation be dismissed.

The ordinance was passed in 1921. Under it railway companies were to file plans for abolishing locomotives emitting smoke or steam by January 1, 1922. This the city claims the company failed to do. The ordinance has been a subject of litigation since. While it applies to all railway companies alike, the cases against the New York Central, four in number, were said by city officials to have been selected as test cases.

CHURCH CONFERENCE OPENS.

Schenectady, Dec. 12. — Bishop Adna W. Leonard, resident bishop of the Buffalo area, Methodist Episcopal church, and 16 district superintendents from the central New York Conference, opened sessions of the annual district superintendent's conference here tonight. The bishop and superintendents will go into secret sessions tomorrow, and on Sunday will occupy the pulpits of various Methodist churches throughout the city. The conference will close Sunday night with a meeting in the new Italian Methodist Episcopal church here.

KILLED NEAR WATKINS.

Norwich, Dec. 12. — John Hitchcock, 33, farmer of Oxford, was instantly killed today when his automobile was struck by a south bound passenger train at the British crossing of the Lackawanna railroad. The wreckage blew the vehicle when he was killed, but the latter apparently failed to hear it.

9 INDICTMENTS FOUND AGAINST LEWIS SANDS

Will Appear in Court Monday—
Mrs. Gerks, Manager of Stores,
Also Will Be Summoned
at Same Time

TWO JOINT CHARGES

Woman Cited in 17 of 24 Counts
—Trials Expected to Be Held in
January Term of Orleans
County Court

Albion, Dec. 12. — Lewis E. Sands, known as the "world bean king" and Mrs. Grace K. Gerks, manager of his bean companies, have been notified through their attorneys to appear before Justice George A. Larkin of the supreme court on Monday morning to plead to indictments growing out of the \$1,000,000 failure of the companies.

The Orleans county grand jury, which investigated the affairs of the bean companies, today submitted their findings to Justice Larkin. The report contained 24 indictments. The nature of the indictments will not be made public until arraignment of the prisoners, but it is understood that there are 15 against Mrs. Gerks and seven against Sands with two joint indictments.

Stanford T. Church, attorney for Sands, was in court when the jury made its report. District Attorney William A. Munson arranged with him for the arraignment of Sands next Monday. Church communicated with his client by telephone, but declined to tell reporters where Sands is. It is thought that he is staying with relatives in the vicinity of Albion.

Wants Mrs. Gerks's Bail Raised.

Arthur Chamberlain of Rochester, attorney for Mrs. Gerks, also has been notified to have his client in court next Monday.

Sands was arrested recently in Tampa, Fla., on a warrant charging grand larceny, but is now free on \$30,000 bail and it is expected that this will be continued.

Mrs. Gerks, who was arrested in Huntington, Ind., on a charge of forgery, second degree, is alleged to have forged the names of officers of the storage company to fake bills of lading.

District Attorney Munson will ask that her bail of \$10,000, on which she now is at liberty, be increased to \$25,000.

It is expected that the trials will be held during the January term of county court. This opens on January 5. Judge Gerald H. Fisher of Orleans county is disqualified to preside over the cases because of his appointment by the federal court as attorney for the bankruptcy trustees and creditors.

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SUBWAY TRAINS HALT FOR MINUTE

Major August Belmont's Funeral
Held at 4 p. m. — Will Be Buried
at Newport, R. I.

New York, Dec. 24. — Subway trains throughout Greater New York halted for one minute at 4 o'clock this afternoon while funeral services for August Belmont, "father of the city's subways," were being held in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine.

It was Major Belmont's belief in the newly projected underground method of transportation two decades ago that did much toward the growth of the city.

Those present at the services in the cathedral made very nearly a complete roster of the social and financial circles of New York. Many leaders of the turf world also appeared to pay their last respects to the "Godfather of American horse racing and breeding." In the congregation were also many theatrical people who had been associated on the New York stage with the former Eleanor Robson, Mrs. August Belmont.

Following the services the casket was carried to the Gothic chapel of the Burying, one of the seven chapels of tombs, which Mr. Belmont, a trustee of the cathedral, donated in 1903 in memory of the first Mrs. Belmont. The body was to remain there until midnight, then to be taken to a train for Newport, R. I., where interment will take place, tomorrow.

GOVERNOR IN NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 12. — Governor Alfred E. Smith came to town today to do his Christmas shopping. He refused to discuss the transit situation. He said he did not expect to return to Albany before Tuesday or Wednesday of next week.

The governor said he hoped to attend the Grifflin club dinner in Washington tomorrow night if his "knee" foot permits.

ROCHESTER CONTRACTOR DIES.

Clear Falls, Dec. 12. — Ira W. Lindington, 46, contractor, of Rochester, died today of pneumonia at the Rochester hospital in Greenwich, near here. He was vice president of V. F. Lindington Sons, Rochester. Burial will be in Greenwich.

FISHING TUG MAY HAVE FOUNDERED

No Trace Found on Either Shore
of Lake Erie—Gale Blew All
Thursday

Jamestown, Dec. 12. — The gasoline fishing tug Helene, which left the port of Dunkirk on Lake Erie yesterday morning with a crew of six men to pull fishing nets 25 miles from shore, has not returned and grave fears are entertained for the safety of the men and the tug.

The boat is owned by W. H. Hornke of Cleveland, O., and was manned by Mr. Hornke and Alexander Urban, William Urban, L. J. Plumbo, Walter Dolke and Frank Helge, all of Dunkirk.

When the tug had not returned at noon today, the Dunkirk fishing fleet went to the fishing grounds, but found no trace of the boat. The coast guard crew at Buffalo searched the southern shore waters of the lake without success until dark tonight and word had been received from Port Colborne, Ont., and other Canadian ports that nothing had been seen of the tug in Canadian waters.

A southwest gale swept the lake all day and it is feared the little craft foundered.

Another fishing tug from Dunkirk disappeared in a similar manner some weeks ago, but it drifted to Port Colborne and was beached a few days later.

The Helene was used by Mr. Hornke in fishing for the Alexander Fish company in Dunkirk.

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THREE BATH TUBS FOUND FILLED WITH ALCOHOL

New York, Dec. 12. — Holiday liquor, valued at between \$25,000 and \$50,000, and said to have been made of re-distilled denatured alcohol, was seized in a Mulberry street tenement today by prohibition agents, who also found large stores of bottles and boxes, as well as filling machinery.

Thirty-six families occupying the building, police said, were in danger of death in case of fire because of the presence of the highly inflammable alcohol which filled three bath tubs and four casks in the apartment where it was seized.

Labels proclaiming the contents to be "rare old Scotch, bottled in bond, Edinburgh, February 1746," were found. Three cheap sheet iron bath tubs were filled to the brim with denatured alcohol in various stages of distillation, the agents said.

\$41,000 IN GEMS STOLEN.

Chicago, Dec. 12. — Jewelry stolen by robbers today in two holdups, some \$25,000 worth of gems being taken from a young widow who was returning from a cabaret early this morning, and \$6,000 worth stolen this afternoon from a jewelry store on the South side.

THE DAY IN WASHINGTON

Consideration of Muscle Shoals continued in the senate.

A house committee began an investigation of aircraft manufacture and operation.

The American reply to the British note on German war claims was delivered in London.

The advisory council of the National Conference in Outdoor Recreation ended its meeting.

Rear Admiral Bannan gave more testimony before the house shipping board investigation committee.

The future course of the conference for progressive political action was considered at a meeting of its leaders.

President Coolidge undertook to hold a cabinet session open to an early vote to curtail the veto of the postal pay bill.

Secretary Work submitted to President Coolidge a recommendation regarding which is expected to form the basis of the administration policy.

McCoy SAID TO HAVE SHOT SEVERAL IN TWO STORES

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 12. — While a photograph in the antique shop of Mrs. Linc, on the morning of August 22, last, played popular dance music, Ed McCoy, ex-patrolman, charged with the murder of Mrs. Theresa Mora on the previous night, "sawed off" all those who had interfered with his affair with the woman with whom he had lived as "Mr. and Mrs. N. Shields." V. C. Emden, business manager of the shop, testified at McCoy's trial here today.

During the scene in the store, Emden testified, William G. Ross, one of the men in the store, attempted to fire in the street. He was shot and wounded, the prosecution will contend, by McCoy.

McCoy then went to the military store of Ann and Sam Schappa, next door where Mr. and Mrs. Schappa were both shot and wounded, testimony recorded.

30,000 AT ST. ANNE'S MINE.

Quebec, Dec. 12. — It was announced today that 30,000 miners from all parts of Canada and the United States visited the St. Anne de Bellevue mine during the month of 1924.

Representatives of 12,000 persons over 1923. There were 129 persons present during the year.

VAN SWERINGEN PLAN EXPECTED TO BE SUCCESS

Erie Railroad's Approval of Lease
Proposal Virtually Assures Com-
pletion of Program for Big
System

SMALL HINDRANCES

Minor Details in Forming Agree-
ment Expected to Be Smoothed
Out With Little Difficulty
Later

(By the Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 12. — Completion of the \$1,500,000,000 Nickel Plate railroad consolidation along the line recently contemplated by the Van Sweringen interests of Cleveland, was virtually assured today when the board of directors and the executive committee of the Erie railroad approved the lease proposal upon which operation of the enlarged system will hinge.

Acceptance of the terms by the Erie, the first of the five participating roads to accept the plan, breaks a long deadlock and paves the way for bringing the company together with the present Nickel Plate, Pere Marquette, Chesapeake & Ohio, and Hocking Valley railroads, under unified control and operation by the Van Sweringens.

The revised lease, covering the same fundamental issues which proved acceptable to the Erie management, has been laid before officials and directors of the Pere Marquette railway, and favorable progress toward reaching an agreement on terms was reported today. A special committee of the Pere Marquette will consider the lease next Tuesday and submit a recommendation for action by the executive committee and board of directors. Officials of the road already have indicated that a solution of the more difficult lease problems which confronted the Erie would expedite the Pere Marquette's adoption of the plan.

No difficulty is expected in obtaining the assent of the other three roads, which are controlled by the Van Sweringen brothers, to the terms. A rental basis, ensuring adequate protection for the rights of minority or dissenting stockholders, formed the foundation of the lease which was approved by the Erie directors. Several minor problems still remain to be settled but are expected to offer little difficulty. The question of the chief obstacle, the question of safeguarding the interests of minority stockholders, details of the lease terms were not made public today, but probably will be contained in letters to stockholders, seeking their approval of the plan.

THINK TRANSFUSION OF BLOOD FATAL

Man Underwent Nearly 100 Opera-
tions in Four Years—Dies in
Police Cell

Paterzon, N. J., Dec. 12. — Police believe blood transfusions caused the death early today of John S. Murray, of Middletown, who was found lifeless in a cell at police headquarters. Murray was found on the roadside at Fairland last night and taken to Paterzon police headquarters by two strangers. Murray said he was tired. He refused hospital attention and said he would be all right if allowed to sleep in a cell.

His wife tonight said that during the past four years, Murray had given nearly 100 blood transfusions, for which he received from \$75 to \$100 each.

He left his home in Middletown Wednesday, and Mrs. Murray had not heard from his since. The Murray family formerly lived in Brooklyn and came to Middletown a year ago.

MAY APPROVE ANY POSTAL INCREASE

President Thought to Have In-
tended Reply to Senate in
Favor of Salary Increases

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 12. — Legislation proposing increased postage rates on practically all classes of mail except letter mail to take care of pay advances for postal employees is expected to have active administration support as a result of a White House conference today between President Coolidge and a dozen Republican senators. The conference was called by the executive after the blocking in the senate yesterday of efforts to postpone action on the President's veto of the postal pay bill passed at the last session. There was a discussion of the whole situation, including the prospective opposition to mail rate advances, particularly those on second class matter, embracing newspapers and magazines.

Mr. Coolidge was represented as holding the view that such advances should be made in order to provide the necessary revenue for what he regards as a merited raise in the pay of the employees of the postal service. Some senators said they carried away the impression that such legislation would have his support.

BRINDELL WILL BE ARRESTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER PAROLE

Osmington, Dec. 12. — Definite announcement was made today that Robert P. Brindell, former New York city labor leader, serving a prison term for extortion, will be arrested on a federal warrant charging falsification of income tax returns when he leaves state prison "whether now or a year from now." He has been paroled for December 26.

It was also learned today that he will be taken to Whitehall for arraignment in custody of a federal officer.

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MAY ARRESTED AGAIN.

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CORSET STAY POBABLY SAVES LIFE OF WOMAN

Jersey City, N. J., Dec. 12. — Mrs. E. Giggelman of North Bergen was saved from probable death today by a corset stay. One of several bullets fired by Mrs. Lillian Duttenberg in a local grocers store, where Mrs. Giggelman was standing with her four children struck the steel support and was flattened, inflicting only a slight flesh wound. Mrs. Duttenberg was laid for observation as to her sanity.

RIGHT TO CONTROL RIVERS QUESTIONED

Power Concern Seeks Damages for
State Condemnation of Works
After Granting Franchise

Albany, Dec. 12. — State's right to control waterpower in the Hudson, Niagara, and St. Lawrence rivers was questioned in a case argued today before the court of appeals. The case was that of the Waterford Electric Light, Heat & Power company which seeks damages for state condemnation and acquisition of lands for which a franchise had been granted by the legislature permitting the company to build a power dam. The case is regarded as involving also the question of the state's right to ownership of the bed of the stream.

The court of claims fixed the Waterford company's legal damages at \$250,000 with interest for franchise and land, when it heard the case in 1922, and the appellate division held in an opinion last March the right to construct a power dam in rivers above tide water is vested in the owners of the banks, subject to needs of navigation.

Counsel for the company argued that under English common law the company is entitled to the bed of the river to its center and the incidental right to all water power. Representatives of the attorney general's office asserted the state in franchise grants of waterpower reserves the right to improve navigation, that the barge canal was an improvement and that the state is not bound to pay any right incidentally destroyed. It was said also the courts held the river is navigable at the point in question and that title to the river rests with the state.

VERY GRAVE SAY DOCTORS OF CONDITION

Samuel Gompers, However, Re-
ported as Having Benefited by
Being in Lower Atmosphere
of San Antonio

(By the Associated Press.)

San Antonio, Dec. 12. — Lying quietly in the first real bed he has touched since last Wednesday, Samuel Gompers, venerable president of the American Federation of Labor, was resting in a hotel here tonight in what the physicians described as "a very grave condition" but with the crisis not yet at hand.

He arrived from Mexico City in a special car about 5 o'clock this afternoon, having been taken seriously ill in the Mexican capital early in the week.

Greeted by hundreds of union men, he was taken to the hotel in an ambulance, his progress to the hotel taking on the appearance of a procession because of the great number of automobiles and pedestrians following the stricken labor leader.

He was placed in a hot bath, which appeared to refresh him greatly. He is able to take only light nourishment. The center of his complaint seems to be a bronchial infection, complicated by old age and its attendant disabilities. Mr. Gompers is 74 years of age.

Shows His Improvement.

The illness is said to be a recurrence of his sickness of last summer, brought on by heavy work at the recent convention of the American Federation of Labor in El Paso, followed by similar labors in the Pan-American labor conference at Mexico City. A marked improvement began as soon as he reached American soil, and he has retained the advantage throughout the trip from Laredo, it was said.

Mr. Morrison quoted Dr. Cockrell as follows:

"President Samuel Gompers is suffering from a cold, which has become acute. He is about a year and a half. This was aggravated by the altitude of Mexico City. On Saturday it began raining, and he was relieved. The beginning of the journey was made under good stars. There was little improvement in Mr. Gompers' condition after leaving the coast of Central Mexico last night. With the descent to a lower altitude there was gradual, continuous improvement."

SECRETARY SAYS LEADER HAS SAME AILMENT WHICH HAS CAUSED HIM TROUBLE FOR YEAR AND HALF

(By the Associated Press.)

Mexican Officials Give Aid.

Secretary Morrison said a further statement regarding Mr. Gompers' condition would be made after consultation with physicians in San Antonio.

Secretary Morrison said that Mr. Gompers probably would remain in San Antonio for two or three days or until his condition warrants continuation of the trip east.

Lively possible attention and courtesy was shown Mr. Gompers in Mexico City, his friends said. President Calles went to the station to bid him farewell and to see if there was anything he could do for the departing guest. Luis N. Morones, secretary of the Mexican department of industry, also was at the station.

Special arrangements were made in advance so that two cars containing Mr. Gompers and his party were switched off outside San Antonio station in order that he might be taken from his car without confusion.

Personal Physician Summoned.

A great throng greeted Mr. Gompers as he was taken off the train, despite the fact that his coach was halted in the yards several blocks from the passenger station.

Mr. Gompers was taken immediately to a local hotel where he will remain until a change comes.

His nurse, Miss Mathilda Mays of Atlantic City, who has been with him since his illness of last August, also accompanied him. She said she believed the rest at the hotel and the more familiar atmosphere of San Antonio would bring her patient back to normal in a few days.

Mr. Gompers' personal physician, Dr. Julius Ascherbach, of New York, who was telegraphed for, was said to be on his way to San Antonio to take charge of the patient.

Dr. Rice, however, at the command of the 26 minute committee of newspapermen that he should come, was in San Antonio at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Gompers, by the way, was not expected to leave the hotel until tomorrow.

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Latest Victims of King Tut's "Curse"



Tutankhamun's "curse" has fallen again—this time here in the United States. And now it has claimed three victims, instead of one. At least the superstitious ones blame it for the deaths of Mrs. Rosemary Carson, Sparkman's cousin of Lord Carson, daughter of Tut's tomb, and her children, Wilfred, 8, and Louis Boone, 7. Mrs. Sparkman, wife of Prof. Colley F. Sparkman of the University of Utah, killed the children during a fit of depression, then ended her own life.

KAPLIN WINS BY KNOCKOUT

Head of Scheduled 12-Round Bout with Joe Lombardo, Panamanian, Covers in Fourth Round—Winner Will Meet Kramer in Title Bout of Tournament Three Weeks from Last Night.

New York, Dec. 12.—Louis Kaplin of Meriden, Conn., knocked out Joe Lombardo of Panama in the fourth round of a scheduled 12-round bout at Madison Square Garden tonight.

By virtue of the victory, Kaplin advanced to the final round in the featherweight elimination tournament and will meet Dan Kramer, Philadelphia southpaw, in the title round of the tournament three weeks from tonight.

The end came with dramatic suddenness when Kaplin, boring furiously, floored the Panamanian with a well-directed left hook. He was down for the count of eight but got up, apparently unhurt. Following up his advantage, Kaplin rushed Lombardo to the ropes, where he delivered the knocking blow which knocked his opponent out and all but sent him completely out of the ring.

In a six round bout, preliminary to the Kaplin-Lombardo contest, Charley Rosen of New York decisively outpointed Pasquale Bagdano of New Haven.

George Doherty of New York easily won a judges' verdict over Willie Shugrue of Waterbury, Conn., in another six rounder.

Mike Dundee of Rock Island, Ill., scored a spectacular victory over Bobby Garcia of Camp Holabird, Md., in a speedy 12-round semi-final match. Dundee won the first eight rounds handily but tired as the match waned and Garcia, growing stronger, took the last four. Dundee's lead was too great, however, and he was given the decision.

Christmas Eve will see a bout at 124-5-4.

The Christmas buy him an overcoat or an auto robe at the Tie Cloth shop, advt 21

LOCALS WIN AT ARBORY

Co. G Takes Game from Them Old Team of College Soldiers—Harvard's Team Defeated Wilson Eagles 20-1.

The Co. G basketball team opened their home season in auspicious manner last evening at the arbory where they took a fast game from the Them Old Team of College Soldiers, Harvard's Team Defeated Wilson Eagles 20-1.

The game was clearly showed their superiority, the veteran quintet giving one of the best exhibitions of the game seen in Oneonta in many years. Of course they have not yet attained mid-season form, but their team and basketball was very good.

Herrieff's Boys' shop team took their game from the Woodrow Wilson team, which was a good share of the game, but there were no outstanding point gainers, the team missing many chances.

Following are the tabulation for the main game:

Co. G	FB	FP	TP
Palmer, J. F.	10	0	14
Delaney, J. F.	7	0	14
Brown, C.	7	0	14
Darling, R. G.	4	0	8
VanBuren, R. G.	0	0	0
Brown, J. G.	0	0	0
Pondoloff, J. G.	0	0	0
Totals	28	0	50

Boys' Shop versus Eagles.

Following are the tabulations of the preliminary game:

Herrieff's	FB	FP	TP
McGuinness, J. F.	4	0	4
Hicks, J. F.	2	0	4
E. Glenn, C.	3	0	6
King, R. G.	1	0	2
M. Glenn, R. G.	0	0	0
Bagg, J. G.	0	0	0
Deery, J. G.	0	0	0
Totals	10	0	20

Eagles.

Konecny, R. G. 0 | 1 | 1 |

Stank, J. G. 0 | 0 | 0 |

Fedack, J. G. 1 | 0 | 2 |

Karchak, C. 1 | 0 | 2 |

Michalek, R. G. 0 | 0 | 0 |

Walk, R. G. 0 | 0 | 0 |

Huhax, J. G. 0 | 0 | 0 |

Totals 2 | 1 | 5 |

Many Ex-Captains at Union.

Schenectady, Dec. 12.—Six preparatory schools basketball captains are available for the Union college freshman basketball team, which will open its season Saturday night with a game against Saratoga High school.

The preparatory school captains on the squad are: Walter Winters, Tuxedo Park High school; Henry R. Dubois, Catalina

High school; Stuart B. Mendes, Brooklyn Poly Prep school; Charles N. Eisenberg, Schenectady High school; and James L. Lewis, Canastota Prep school.

O. H. S. 13—SCHENECTADY 17

YELLOW AND WHITE BASKETBALL TEAM PLAYS PRETTY AND CLOSE GAME LAST EVENING

Oneonta High School Quintet Lost Close Game at Schenectady on Foot Shots—Score at Half-Time, 10-11 For Schenectady—Burdick Slightly Injured.

In one of the prettiest games of basketball noted through a long period of rivalry, Oneonta High school lost its game with Schenectady High school at the latter city last evening, taking the small end of a 13-17 score. Both teams made five field baskets, but Oneonta failed to count many of its foul chances. However, the closeness of the game is a source of pleasure to supporters of the O. H. S. for in it they see revenge in the game to be played in this city later in the season.

The Yellow and White showed a very good brand both of defensive and offensive basketball, and was game to the last. However, the Schenectady quintet is composed of larger and more seasoned men, and they played a better game, though in no department outclassing the Oneonta team.

In the last quarter Burdick who had played a very good game suffered an injury to his nose, necessitating his retirement. It is feared with a broken nose, this seems to be a following of the locals, for Hamilton who took his place is just recovering from a broken nose which he suffered only about two weeks ago.

About thirty Oneontans accompanied their team.

The tabulations will tell most of the story, but it should be borne in mind that the teamwork of the O. H. S. quintet was exceptionally good and that points are no absolute measure of the value of a player to his team:

Oneonta	FB	FP	TP
Orr, J. F.	3	1	7
Delaney, J. F.	0	0	0
Perran, C.	2	0	4
Mulkins, R. G.	0	1	1
Burdick, J. G.	0	1	1
Hamilton, J. G.	0	0	0
Totals	5	2	14

Schenectady.

Rice, J. F. 0 | 2 | 2 |

O'Connor, J. F. 2 | 1 | 5 |

Fodder, C. 0 | 1 | 1 |

Ketchum, R. G. 3 | 0 | 6 |

Killen, J. G. 0 | 2 | 2 |

Totals 5 | 7 | 17 |

Score by quarters: 2-5; 10-11; 10-15; 13-17.

Seeing the Boys Off.

Yesterday morning just before the 9:15 was due in Oneonta, Main and Broad streets were suddenly thronged with members of the school basketball team and all their friends who could get excited, every one headed for the D. & H. station.

A specially arranged school band led the parade, and behind it followed big and little boys and big and little girls, all cheering, all hopeful and all anxious to give the bunch a grand send-off.

The company of two or three hundred banded itself in front of the station, and until the train arrived spent the time in singing and in cheering for their comrades and their school.

Anticipation of a grand number of Schenectady passengers, a special coach was attached and in a jiffy was pretty well filled with members of the team and their loyal supporters, of whom a goodly number went along and led the cheering during the game.

Though the Oneonta team did not win, they put up a good fight, and from beginning to end they had to hearten them the optimistic, never-say-die spirit of their comrades. And again this winter, such is the resilience of youth, Oneonta will be back again, ready to entertain old foes and to fight again the battle of the Mohawk and Susquehanna valleys.

AT Y. M. C. A. ALLEYS.

Reds Take Two Games from the Dodgers, Leading the Third.

At the "Y" alleys Thursday night in the local "Y" tournament the Reds took two games from the Dodgers, the latter losing them out in the final evening, 7-9 to 7-9. The figures follow:

Reds.

Damachke . . . 143 127 125-402

Tucker . . . 103 150 140-239

Palmer . . . 172 210 181-463

Dibble . . . 162 209 121-493

Shaw . . . 158 157 197-512

Totals . . . 749 852 769 2371

Dodgers.

Bolton . . . 160 159 171-490

Walte . . . 142 117 165-428

Bliss . . . 145 150 152-453

Skinner . . . 175 148 150-473

Hotaling . . . 113 121 151-397

Totals . . . 737 705 799 2341

COBLESKILL UNDEFEATED

Cobleskill High School Defeats Cooperstown 10-10 For Perfect Record—Hartwick Summary Losses to Aggies 19-15.

Cobleskill High school maintained its undefeated position in the basketball league last evening, defeating their rivals, Cooperstown High, by a score of 10-10 in a close but somewhat rough game. Both teams played well, but the score would indicate that the game was a draw.

The tabulations:

Cobleskill	FB	FP	TP
Emery, J. F.	2	0	4
Florida, J. F.	0	0	0
Wetting, J. F.	2	1	5
Myers, C.	0	1	1
Tater, R. G.	0	0	0
Kewman, J. G.	0	0	0
Springstead, J. G.	0	0	0
Totals	4	1	10

Cooperstown.

Kraham, J. F. 2 | 2 | 9 |

Wheeler, J. F. 0 | 0 | 0 |

Adams, J. F. 0 | 0 | 0 |

Baldard, C. 0 | 0 | 0 |

Kenny, R. G. 0 | 1 | 1 |

Perran, J. G. 0 | 0 | 0 |

Totals 2 | 3 | 10 |

The Cooperstown girls also lost to the Cobleskill girls, by a score of 5-2.

Aggies 19—Hartwick Summary 15.

After leading the Cobleskill Aggies throughout most of their league con-

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Golf
AS CHAMPIONS PLAY IT

GETTING BACKPIN WITH A SPOON—

SLIGHTLY OVER STUNCE.

IS IT POSSIBLE TO OBTAIN BACKPIN WITH A SPOON? If so, how in this accomplished?

By JOHNNY FARRELL.
Cuban Open Champion, Runner-up Metropolitan Open, 1922, '23, '24.

You, it is possible to obtain backpin with a spoon. In fact, it is easier for me to stop a ball with a spoon than with a long iron. In playing this shot you should stand slightly open (right foot slightly advanced) and keep your right shoulder well down as you come into the ball. This should give a slight fadeaway, or cut to the right. In my opinion, this is the prettiest and most effective shot in golf, especially among the professionals, but it is a shot that requires lots of patient practice. It is not a stroke that can be mastered in a day or a week. However, backspin can certainly be applied, and very effectively, with a spoon, provided, of course, that you've learned the knack of doing it.

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VANCE FANS 262 BATSMEN

Most Valuable Player in National League—Only Pitcher in Circuit to Strike Out 14 and 15 Men in Single Innings—While 11 Opponents on Four Occasions—Shares With Grimes Honor of Striking Out Ten Men in Game.

New York, Dec. 12.—Dazzy Vance, star Brooklyn pitcher, voted the most valuable player in the National league, sure had a big season in the matter of strikeouts.

Vance, while winning 28 and losing only six games, struck out 262 batters, a remarkable feat in these days of the "rabbit" ball.

Only one National league pitcher struck out 15 men in one game. It was Vance. He was the only pitcher to strike out 14 in a game. He also struck out 11 men four times.

Two pitchers managed to whiff 10 in a game, and again Vance was one of them. He turned the trick twice, his teammate, Grimes, once.

There were eight National league games in which nine players were set down on strikes, and Vance worked seven of them, both on St. Louis the other.

Quite enough for one season.

ELKS BOWLING TOURNAMENT.

Rickenbackers Triumph Over the Bulls With Two to One.

At the alleys at the Elks' home on Thursday night the Rickenbackers won two of the three games with the Bulls, losing the third by a narrow margin. The scores are:

Rickenbackers.

Chicorelli . . . 187 212 171-540

Farone . . . 123 199 110-441

Carwell . . . 182 153 182-549

Firman . . . 177 131 135-442

Torrey . . . 116 116 116-348

Forner . . . 154 177 150-481

Totals . . . 910 1018 874 2362

Bulls.

Lawson . . . 181 196 193-570

Wyckoff . . . 159 121 171-451

Hutchinson . . . 135 147 110-392

Brault . . . 117 192 149-458

Coyne . . . 99 99 99-297

Kniekers . . . 163 163 163-504

Totals . . . 569 523 530 2623

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DAILY RADIO PROGRAM

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MEMORANDUM YESTERDAY.

8 A. M. 25
1 P. M. 20
5 P. M. 21
Maximum 21 Minimum 25

LOCAL MENTION

My Bonnie beat over the gas tank. The height of its contents to sea, the lighted a match to assist her. Chorus: Oh, bring back my Bonnie to me. —Kablegram.

—The basketball team of Morris's Boys' shop will play the Cobleskill team this evening at Cobleskill.

—The Elks club now has a new telephone number. It is 1312—the same number as that of the local lodge.

—The 5th in the series of dances to be held in St. Mary's school hall Monday evening, December 15. For the given by the Catholic Men's club with occasion Lynn Smith and his orchestra have been engaged.

—One of the New York state automobile registration plates was noticed in the window of the H. M. Bard office on Broad street yesterday. The colors are yellow and black, and the new stream of numbering, 1H-6229 being that example, is a very noticeable change.

—All men of St. James' church are urged to report at the parish house tomorrow (Sunday) promptly at 2 o'clock, for the every-member canvass. All the men are needed for this work and the more men there are, the less work there will be for each team. Canvassers with cars please bring them for the work.

—There was a very good attendance, about 75 couples, at the dance given at the American last evening by the United Commercial Travelers. The dance was one of the best ever held by the Travelers, especially good music being provided by the Syncopators. The next dance of the season will be held on the evening of January 7.

—A meeting of all boy workers in the city will be held on Friday afternoon or next week to prepare for a boys conference to be held in Oneonta. Included in those who are participating in the movement are Boys Secretary Holmes of the Y. M. C. A., Scout Executive Hornbeck, and A. E. Riedorfer, supervisor of Physical Education in the city schools.

—Extensive changes are being made in the interior of the Wheeler garage at the front of the first floor to make provision for a showroom for the display of Studebaker cars, which agency has been taken. The company makes some 16 models and the change will permit a display of several of them and will also provide for a business office and waiting room.

Fox Hospital Staff Meets.

The physicians and surgeons composing the staff of the Fox Memorial hospital held a staff meeting at the hospital last evening in the nature of a reception to a number of recent additions to the staff. The staff of the Cooperstown hospital was the guest of the local men, and Dr. R. W. Ford of Otego, associate member of the staff.

A discussion of "Haematuria" was led by Dr. A. H. Bassett of Cooperstown and much interest and benefit was gained in the round table talk following the meeting a luncheon was served and a social hour spent.

Meetings Today.

The Sabbath school of the United Presbyterian church will meet today at 2:15 p. m. to practice the Christmas Cantata. A full attendance is requested.

Members of the W. B. A. will meet with Mrs. Yates, 13 Division street, Sunday, at 1 p. m. to attend the funeral of Mrs. Loebe.

Meetings Monday.

The regular meeting of the Delphian society will be held Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock at Library hall.

Sale and Supper at St. James.

Beginning at 11 o'clock this morning the ladies of the First Baptist church will conduct a sale of fancy articles at the St. James' parish house. The sale will continue throughout the day and evening and will be a good source of supply for Christmas gifts. At 5 o'clock a tempting turkey supper will be served, the price being just 75c. The public is invited to attend both the sale and the supper. advt 11

150-acre farm, nearly all river flat. One of the finest farms in this section, 25 cows, all crops, farming tools, everything complete, three miles from Oneonta on state road. Owner wishes to sell at once as he is leaving for the west. B. J. Wickham, real estate agent. advt 31

Be a Tooty Vee! An assortment of Tooty Vee messages will be on sale at St. James' parish house today. They are cheerful greetings for Christmas, Easter or birthday. advt 11

Candy special for today—Delicious home-made chocolate mixture. Regular price 50 cents a pound; special today at 35c. See our window display. Kandyland. advt 11

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NEWS CLUB HEARS TU

Chinese Connected with B. & N. Rys. The Country is Hearing New Hope And Considers Its Program to History of United States.

C. Y. Tu, a Chinese, who is employed by the Delaware & Hudson railroad where he is studying American railroad methods, addressed the members of the News club of the First Presbyterian church last night, giving one of the most interesting and instructive talks ever heard by the organization.

"So many persons ask me, 'What is the matter with China?'" said Mr. Tu. "The trouble with China is simple. Just look back at the history of your own country and you will see that before the United States was established as a stable republic, it passed through much the same trouble that China now is experiencing."

"China as a republic is just 13 years old. China is one of the oldest nations on the earth. For thousands of years, the word and order of the emperor was law. The people were not allowed to even talk about political questions. Their thinking all was done for them. For thousands of years, the people of China have lacked political training and experience and responsibility."

"Then came the time when the people began to do some of their own thinking and write between the political and military leaders followed. You can get an idea of what took place in China by imagining what would take place here if the three major parties of the United States tried to gain control of the government by use of military measures instead of through peaceful use of the ballot and your familiar methods of campaigning and oratory."

"Civil war is the price of the Republic in China, the same as it was in the United States. And it was a Christian General who stopped that war. General Feng sent a circular telegram asking the people to meet in peaceful convention and settle their troubles by this peaceful method instead of by the old method of fighting. He said it was not a soldier's job to solve such questions."

"The return of the Boxer indemnity by the United States through John Hay was probably the greatest single thing ever done for China in aiding the people of that nation. It provided the funds which now are being used to educate hundreds of Chinese in American universities. These men and women are to be the leaders of the new China to come."

"You in America have many luxuries and many pleasures. You ask me how it is that I can do nothing but eat, sleep and work. But you must remember that the pleasures you now enjoy are the result of the foundations laid for this nation through the privations, self denial and suffering of our forefathers who made this nation possible. We of China who are working so hard, do so because we hope our grandchildren may reap some of the pleasure and happiness such as you now enjoy in this country."

Mr. Tu gave many interesting facts about the costumes and modes of living of his countrymen. He said that the women already have organized to seek equal suffrage. Men face certain restrictions before they can vote. They must show themselves qualified and among the qualifications are a proper education, property ownership and at least 22 years old.

He said it was the custom to drink in China and that drinking was attended with much ceremony. "In China you are served wine in a little glass less than an inch high and one-half inch in diameter. You drink it slowly during the meal while you eat and talk. Consequently Chinese are not bothered about getting drunk. But here in America you drink whiskey in big glasses like you live and eat and work—fast."

Mr. Tu's address met with an ovation and he was given a standing vote of thanks. Refreshments were served.

It's a Darn Good Thing.

That the politicians are talking so much about "honesty," as it shows that they are considering it anyway. Say, I've not only been talking it for 35 years, but have been practicing it. I don't you hear people about for me? I am a wonder. After I have helped Sam, Bill, Jennie, and Julia, as also several thousand others, to get ahead of you, how you'll shine and cuss because you didn't get in with them, in their safe clean up or over five million dollars, from small monthly amounts placed with me at six per cent compound interest. If you won't be helped or help your self, take your medicine. A stitch in time saves nine. Nuff said. I'm the safe and sane Oneonta Building and Loan Association. advt 11

Cooperstown Junction Supper and Dance.

The Ladies Aid society of Cooperstown Junction will hold their annual supper and dance at the church on Tuesday evening, December 16, from 5:30 until all are served. Supper 50 cents.

Menu: Creamed Chicken and Biscuit, Mashed Potatoes and gravy, Salad, Cranberry Sauce, Mince Pie, Cheese, Apple Pie.

Everybody cordially invited. advt 11

Select Your Xmas Trees

Now, we have a nice variety of them, also holly wreaths and Japanese fruit baskets very reasonably priced.

You will also find our usual line of Saturday specials.

Everything in fresh fruits and vegetables. Joe's Fruit store, 270 Main street. advt 11

To encourage early Christmas buying.

10 certificates with each even dollar purchase on cigars, tobacco and pipes. Moore's Drug store. advt 11

Stop That Cough.

Shade's balsam white pine and wild cherry will do that for you. Price 25 cents. Buy a bottle today. advt 11

Do not wait for other remedies to fail. Try Royal Digestive now and be relieved of stomach disorder. On sale at Sherman's Drug store. advt 11

For all kinds of stationery, writing paper, or handkerchiefs, look at the famous C. W. store. advt 11

DECORATED BY ITALY

Hon. D. F. Wilber Receives Diploma and Insignia of the Order of the Crown

STATE DEPARTMENT AT WASHINGTON FORWARDS TO FOUR-MER CONSULTANT GENERAL.

Notable Distinction Conferred in 1920 by the Government at Rome. In Recognition of His Services at Genoa as the Chief Consular Representative from While the World War Was in Progress.

Following the World war, during which he was consul general of the United States at Genoa, Italy, Hon. D. F. Wilber of this city was honored by the Italian government with the decoration of the Order of the Crown of Italy, a notable recognition, so far as could be learned, by Mr. Wilber at the time the first occasion that this distinction had been conferred upon a representative of a foreign power to that country, other lower decorations not having been infrequent.

In accordance with the consular regulations Mr. Wilber could accept neither the diploma nor the insignia while in the service and they were accordingly forwarded to the Department of State at Washington. The regulations provide that they are not to be accepted without specific action by congress.

Recently Congressman John H. Clarke of this district interested himself in securing for Genoa the distinguished son of this country and yesterday a message from Mr. Clarke, received by Mr. Wilber, stated that the state department advises that "the insignia and diploma of the Order of the Crown of Italy have been transmitted to your address at Oneonta. It not received promptly wire me." In closing the congressman voiced congratulations and best wishes.

Later in the day a package was received by first class registered mail from J. Butler Wright, assistant secretary of state, enclosing the diploma and insignia, accompanied by a note signed by the assistant secretary stating that inasmuch as Mr. Wilber had resigned from the consular service and the decoration conferred upon him no longer comes within the inhibition of clause 8 of the diploma and insignia are transmitted herewith.

It is unnecessary to state that both the communication and the enclosures from the department, are much appreciated by Consul General Wilber, and will be cherished by him as one of his most prized possessions acquired during his long term in the consular service.

While the recognition accorded by the Italian government was unusual it should not be overlooked that from the date of his transfer from Zurich, Switzerland to Genoa, Italy, to the that our grandchildren may reap some of the pleasure and happiness such as you now enjoy in this country."

GRAPEFRUIT, four for 25 cents.

Strictly fresh eggs, 52 cents doz.

Guaranteed storage eggs, 39 cents doz.

Boneless pot roast, 18 cents pound.

Kettle roast beef, 20 cents pound.

Pork chops, 30 cents pound.

Loin pot roast, 27 cents pound.

Pan-fried bacon, 30 cents pound.

Veal chops, 30 cents pound.

Veal stew pieces, 19 to 25 cents pound.

New Card honey, 25 cents.

Oyster or soda crackers 2 pounds 25 cents.

Fresh dill pickles, 4 for 15 cents.

Evaporated milk tall, 3 for 22 cents.

Wool soap, 6 for 25 cents.

We deliver. Phone 1223, 271 Main street.

VanBuren's.

Pork loin, 27c lb.

All cuts western beef.

Strictly fresh eggs, 52 cents.

Dandy old cheese, 22c lb.

Large cranberries, 2 lbs. 57c.

Smooth white potatoes, 2 lbs. 57c.

Nine cans milk, 25c.

Four-pound box cranberries, 2 lbs. 57c.

12 oranges, 25c.

Four grapefruit, 25c.

Fresh dug parsnips, 6 lbs. 25c.

Balsam Christmas trees, "the kind that keeps."

We deliver Saturdays.

32 River street. Phone 617-M. advt 11

Week-End Bargains.

Home dressed fowls, 30c lb.

All cut beefsteak, 2 lbs. 25c.

Roast and stew beef, 10c per lb.

Fresh pork loin, 25c per lb.

Large clams, 40c dozen.

Fancy large oysters, 50c quart.

Dandy celery, two heads 25c.

Northern Spy apples, \$1.50 per bushel.

Pound sweet apples, 10c per bushel.

Eight pounds onions, 25 cents.

Better order your winter squash for Christmas.

Free delivery. Todd's Cash market. Phone 19. advt 11

Special Meat Prices

Western prime beef, 6 cents pound.

Best Western stew beef 15 cents pound.

Round steak, 20 cents pound.

Stir-fry porterhouse, 25 cents pound.

It's a Church

Personal

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jones of 7 Poter avenue spent Friday in Albany.

Shopping from Saturday yesterday were Mrs. O. N. Murdoch and Mrs. W. H. H. H.

Mrs. W. N. Wright was a business call in this city from Keating on Thursday.

Mrs. Charles Stephens was an out of town shopper in the city from Worcester yesterday.

Mrs. Charles Hunt and Mrs. Fred Toul of Milford were shopping in this city on Thursday.

Robert W. Hume, now residing at Stamford, was in the city yesterday calling on friends and caring for business errands.

Mrs. G. M. Constock of Birmingham, who had been visiting Mrs. Julia Hanks of 87 Maple street, returned home Friday.

Mrs. Clifford Tammert and daughter, Helen, left yesterday morning to visit the farmer's sister, Mrs. Walter Melius, over Sunday.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bartlett of Unadilla is spending a few days in the city with her sisters, Mrs. Frank O. Rollins and Mrs. H. W. Lee.

Mrs. J. Turner of 55 River street left yesterday for Middleburgh, where for several days her son, Dr. Lynn Drexler, has been ill of grip.

Mrs. Elizabeth Blackall and Mrs. John Grady of this city were in Schenectady yesterday, where Mrs. Blackall gave a talk on books and library activities.

Mrs. George McLean and son, Murray, of Milford, who had been guests at the home of Mrs. B. H. McLean of 274 Chestnut street, returned home Friday.

Mrs. Addie Burt and daughter, Anita, and Mrs. Frank Craft and daughter, Edith, were in Schenectady yesterday and witnessed the Schenectady-Orangetown basketball game in the evening.

M. G. Keenan, representing the executive committee of the Orangetown-Schenectady council of Boy Scouts, left yesterday afternoon for New York city, where today he is attending the Regional committee meeting of that organization, at the Hotel Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Harry L. Stiles of 22 Spruce street, left yesterday for Waterville, where she will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Brile, over the holidays. She was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. R. Reagin of Troy, who had for some time been guests at the Stiles residence.

Prof. A. E. Fitzelle of the Oneonta State Normal school was in Schenectady yesterday and last evening delivered an address before the Schenectady County Teachers' association. His theme was "The Three Modern Fates," which may roughly be classified as heredity, environment and will.

Rev. and Mrs. L. S. Zaphronites, the former the new pastor of the Baptist church at Gilbertville, were in Oneonta yesterday, accompanying Mrs. L. Raymond Clark, a sister of Mrs. Zaphronites, who was on her way to Oneonta to visit her mother and another sister before returning to her home in Wyoming, this state.

Undergo Operations.

Otto B. Abel, captain of the Delaware & Hudson detectives with offices in Albany and who resides on Elm street, Oneonta, underwent an operation for appendicitis in the Fox hospital yesterday.

Mr. Abel had been in poor health for some time and the operation which is reported to have been successful, is expected to restore his health. He is reported to be resting comfortably. Dr. Charles R. Marsh was the operating surgeon.

Thomas LaRose of Laurens, well known Delaware & Hudson conductor also underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Fox hospital yesterday. The operation was performed by Dr. L. S. House, assisted by Dr. Marsh. His rapid recovery is anticipated.

A Familiar Face.

Patrons of the Oneonta Milk company will no doubt recognize a familiar face in the "Safe Milk" pamphlet which every month that company sends out to its patrons. The face is that of Dr. Frank J. Monaghan, physician, soldier, author, publicist, and at present commissioner of health for the city of New York and an international authority on matters pertaining to public health. Dr. and Mrs. Monaghan are frequent visitors in Oneonta, where the latter's mother, Mrs. Margaret O'Neill, resides at 2 Maple street.

At the regular meeting of the Colonial Walter Scott auxiliary, U. S. W. V., held in the auxiliary last evening, the following officers for 1925 were chosen:

President, Mrs. Webster, widow of the late Col. H. H. Hill; vice president, Flora Hill; chaplain, Mrs. Peter; historian, Grace Stone; publicist, instructor, Della Wickham; conductor, Ida McMorris; assistant conductor, Sarah Esterbrook; guard, Marcella Piper; assistant guard, Ida Blanchard.

Celebrate Wedding Anniversary.

About 20 friends and neighbors gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin E. Williams of 12 Washington street Thursday night and helped them celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary. Card playing was the enjoyment of the evening and at a late hour the company departed, wishing Mr. and Mrs. Williams many more happy anniversaries.

Good Real Estate Bargains.

Five home on Chestnut street, excellent location, near Main street, high school, etc. Thoroughly up to date. Large lot, garage. A bargain at \$9,000.

One of the finest little homes in the city, located East End, 7 rooms, hot water heat and all other modern improvements. Garage, new bath, front porch, etc. Price \$6,200. This place is a beauty. Get busy.

New home, modern, all improvements, double garage, corner lot, Spruce street. One of the best locations on the street. This house is well worth the price, \$11,000.

Small home, excellent condition, up-to-date, good location. Myrtle avenue. Price \$6,000. \$1,000 down. Bargain W. S. Flanagan, corner Ford avenue and Spruce street. Phone 523.

The Mr. Smith house, located on Washington street, is offered for sale. Located at the office of the Oneonta Real Estate company.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank the friends and neighbors for their sympathy in our bereavement and for the beautiful flowers.

Charlotte E. King, Carl G. King.

Printed at Herald office

Give Pictures

THE artist awakens the imagination to the great natural beauty that lies in the landscape, of sunlight, blue sky and foamy clouds. He catches the changing form and color of flowers and trees; he interprets the grandeur of mountains and the peace of valleys.

Landscape and pictures of the sea by the masters of the art, are especially appropriate on gifts.

Boston's Picture Shop

55 Chestnut Street

"Beauty with Pictures"

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KEYNOTE AT AUTO ACCIDENT CONFERENCE

HOOVER SUMMONS EXPERTS TO GRAPPLE WITH A GROWING MENACE.

REPRESENTATIVES of many state and municipal governments, of organizations and of agencies directly interested in finding some way to reduce the ever-mounting number of automobile accidents are attending the great national conference which Secretary of Commerce Herbert Hoover has called to aid in solving the problem.

"Stop this now" is the keynote. Out of the conference it is hoped may come some corrective measures upon which all may agree as worthy of commendation to the nation for adoption. Startling accident statistics and data have been compiled and laid before the meeting by a Committee on Statistics appointed some time ago by Mr. Hoover. Of this committee W. M. Stewart, Director of the United States Census, is chairman, and Dr. Julius H. Parnelle, Director of the Bureau of Railway Economics, is secretary. Estimates of the number of persons killed in motor car accidents in 1923 vary from 15,700, the figures given by the National Bureau of Casualty and Security Underwriters, to 16,452, given by the Hoover Committee. These do not include auto accidents resulting from collisions with trains and street cars. These accounted for 2,268 other deaths in grade crossing accidents and for 2,908 in street car crashes.

The present year now indicates also that there will be more than 2,000 more deaths from the auto peril than occurred in 1923. In 1922, the year in 1922 was estimated to 2,770.

The number of those seriously injured, in addition to the fatalities, is estimated in the hundreds of thousands for the single year 1923.



The money loss from automobile accidents has been estimated as high as \$1,118,750,000, and is still mounting. How to stop it? That is the great

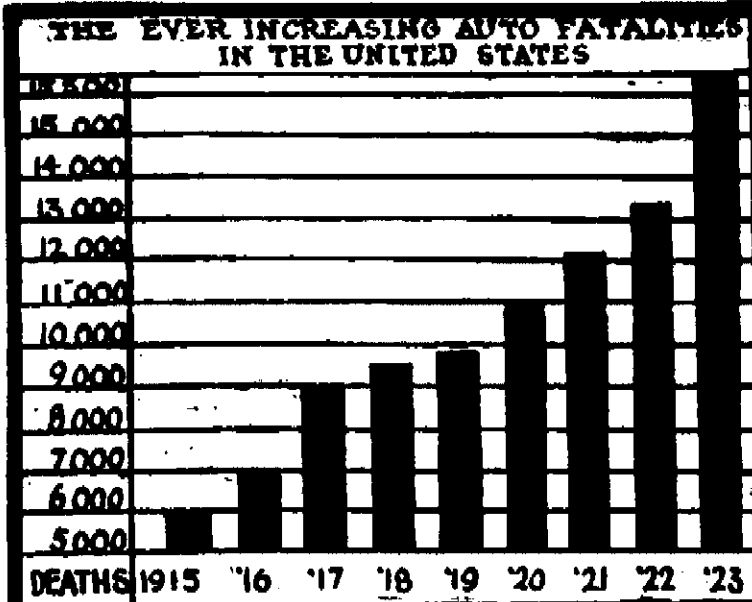
question to which the Washington conference will try to find the best answer. Many suggestions, happily, are being submitted for consideration, by police

commissioners, automobile associations, railroad officials, insurance companies, highway and railroad commissioners and other interested persons.



HERBERT HOOVER, Secretary of Commerce

Among these suggestions are four comprehensive plans turned over to Secretary Hoover for consideration by the conference—three by Charles H. Holland, President of the Independence Indemnity Company of Philadelphia, which recently conducted a nation-wide prize contest among insurance men for the best suggestions, and the other by the Traffic Planning and Safety Committee of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, of which George M. Graham, of Cleveland, is chairman. The three plans for reducing automobile accidents which resulted from the contest conducted by Mr. Holland's company, were chosen from thousands submitted by insurance men in forty-six states, Canada, Panama and Hawaii. The judges of the contest were three of the best known experts on traffic problems, Hon. Richard E. Knight, Police Commissioner of New York City; Brigadier General Smedley D. Butler, Director of Public Safety of Philadelphia, and Mr. W. H. Crampton, Managing Director of the National Safety Council, Chicago.



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The plan which was the first prize of \$1,000 provides for three major remedies, education, regulation and punishment. Every means of instilling not only drivers but every one, including school boys and girls, with the idea of caution and prevention should be employed. Standardization of regulations, uniformity of signals and fixed signal equipment are urged. The author of the plan advocates sterner measures of punishment for violators of laws and regulations.

A better regulation of city traffic, application of traffic regulations to pedestrians as well as to drivers, teaching traffic rules in schools, severer tests for auto drivers and the enlistment of traffic policemen in devising new means of traffic facilities were included in the plan which won the second prize of \$500.

Only two ways to reduce auto accidents, through complete enforcement of present regulations and some outstanding yet practical appeal to human emotions were declared to be the answer to the problem by the winner of the third prize. This appeal might be through distribution made in the color of license plates permitted car owners. For illustration, if a driver were guilty of carelessness, he would be required to turn in his regular license plates and display special red license markers for the period of a year. That he would be branded, in a sense, with the "scarlet letter."

From the Traffic Planning and Safety Committee of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce come eleven corrective suggestions. This committee, like the prize winners, lays emphasis upon the need for wider education in traffic matters and in the importance of caution.

The committee first advocates more frequent presentation of accurate statistics about auto accidents, in order that the causes of accidents may be better known.

Its program of education includes community education through newspapers, posters, radio talks and other media; education of the child through drills, moving pictures, prize essay contests and otherwise; education of the adult pedestrian and education of the driver.

Development of standardized signals are urged by the Chamber's committee, as in the case of one of the plans submitted by Mr. Holland. In order to help reduce accidents at railroad grade crossings the committee would have all motorists stop before crossing railroad tracks.

Better city planning, highway planning, formation of Safe Drivers' Clubs and vigorous punishment for traffic regulation violators are also included in the committee's schedule of suggestions.

DELAWARE COUNTY NEWS

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will come to Treadwell for their annual side Dec. 23 and the Ladies' Aid society will serve the banquet in the church parlors.

Communion Sunday.

Regular communion services will be observed Sunday, Dec. 23. The pastor will be glad to receive at that time any who desire to unite with the church. The subject of this Sunday morning service will be, "A cure for Beggary."

Home Bureau Meeting.

Over twenty attended the Home Bureau meeting Tuesday. Miss Launt, county agent and Mrs. James Loveland and Mrs. Hubert Worden of Franklin were present.

Jacksons Entertains.

Rev. F. R. Edwards and Mr. and Mrs. Romaine Jackson were Oneonta shoppers Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson entertained a party of friends Friday evening. Games, music and bountiful refreshments afforded an evening of pleasure.

Treadwell Personals.

Mrs. Tracy Remington went to Mt. Vernon Saturday to spend a few days with her sister, Miss Mary Lane, who is seriously ill as the result of a paralytic stroke. Thomas Lindsey of Rochester returned home Wednesday after spending a few days with Hartford, Pa. Monday. Mr. Du Mond has been in poor health for some time.

SOUTH KORTRIGHT LETTER.

South Kortright, Dec. 12.—F. D. Turner and Geo. Vose were Delhi visitors Thursday afternoon. — A. W. Barney of Oneonta was in town Wednesday and Thursday on business. — Mrs. E. R. Rose and Miss Ethel Rose and two little nieces, who have been spending several days with relatives in New York, returned home Saturday evening. — E. Phillip Mies of Irkutson on Hudson was a caller in town Tuesday and Wednesday. — Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Hoese, accompanied by Mrs. C. A. Snyder, Mrs. John Vries and Mrs. Wm. Lambacher, motored to Delhi Thursday afternoon on a shopping tour. — Mrs. Andrew Tyler and two children of Rose's Brook returned home Wednesday evening from a few days' stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Ryer of Saugerties. — Mrs. C. E. Wetmore has recently purchased a new Chevrolet coupe and Robert McArthur is driving a new Ford coupe recently purchased from Warren Dayton of Bloomville. — Roland Dibble had the misfortune to break his leg while skidding logs in the woods on Wednesday morning. — Mr. and Mrs. Seth Chichester were Oneonta visitors on Thursday. — Mrs. Fred Turner, Mrs. M. C. Carpenter, attended the dramatic home bureau meeting at Stamford on Thursday. The ladies were entertained at the home of Mrs. Bates and the exercises were held in the pastorate building. A very pleasant and interesting meeting is reported. — Mrs. D. H. Davidson and daughter, Mrs. M. C. Carpenter, motored to Oneonta on Friday on a business and pleasure trip. — Mrs. Anna Lamport and her sister, Mrs. J. T. Higbee, motored to Oneonta Thursday, where Mrs. Lamport underwent a slight operation for nose and head troubles.

WHERE DO THEY COME FROM

Delhi Correspondent Wants to Know How Republicans Can Increase Voting Strength. With Democrats and Other Parties Holding About Same Poll Every Election While County's Population Gradually Decreases.

Delhi, Dec. 12.—Some election results of Delaware county may be a sort of a cross-word puzzle to any interested in politics regardless of their affiliation. The Democratic party gave to Wilson, Cox, and Davis substantially the same vote. It gave to Alfred E. Smith, when he opposed Miller and Roosevelt, practically the same vote each time. At the election when he opposed Governor Whitman he received a somewhat larger vote. LaFollette this year received about the same number of votes as polled by the Prohibition party the last few years before it was eliminated from the political map.

The Democratic party has seemingly held its own for the past 10 or 12 years. In 1912 it gave Sulzer for governor about the same vote that it has given Smith. Hedger, Republican candidate for governor in 1912, received only 262 more votes than Sulzer, or a total of 4,791. It can be remembered in 1912 there were five candidates for governor besides Sulzer and Hedger, and which candidates collectively polled about 2,999 votes, 11,000 votes being polled that year. In November election 1924 Roosevelt polled 2,999 more votes than Nathan Miller did in 1920 when he had 6,224 majority over Smith and 3,509 more than Miller polled in 1922. Harding's majority over Cox in 1920 was 7,192. Coolidge's majority over Davis in 1924 was 8,851.

The Democratic party's holding its own. The Progressive party getting about the same number of votes the Republican gain came from, considering Delaware county is gradually losing population.

Car in Every Four Persons. Delaware county has been allotted 10,000 license plates for pleasure cars and 2,000 for the various types of commercial cars. This county now has a population of 42,774, census 1920. Practically a car to each four persons. All the people of the county could be dumped over into the state of Pennsylvania between supper time and bed time, with the aid of the pleasure car. The commercial cars could deliver their loads and bedding and personal belongings in the same time as to the need remain up late.

My Best Plea Laid.

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Marriage Invitations Received

Invitations have been received in town for the marriage of Thomas Knox Howland of this village and Miss Helen Leslie at the Leslie home in Meredith on Saturday, December 20, at noon.

Mrs. Forrest Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Thomson of New Haven, Conn., were called here this week by the serious illness of Mr. Thomson's mother, Mrs. Jane Forrest, at her home up the Little Delaware.

Mrs. Thomson remained to assist in caring for her mother-in-law, who is now slightly improved. Mrs. Robert Forrest is on duty part of the time as nurse for Mrs. Forrest.

Meetings Scheduled

The Inca club will meet tomorrow afternoon with Mrs. Glen Harper. Officers for the coming year will be chosen at this time.

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To rent—Oneonta, Main street, six room flat, hot and cold water, bath, all improvements. Gargie if desired, \$20 per month. B. J. Wickham, real estate agent, 29 Dietz street, advt 31

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Review of 1924

By Feg Murray



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LICENSEE SOLICITORS.

City of Portland, Oregon, Adopts Solicitors Ordinance Thereon. While there are solicitors and peddlers who are doing a legitimate business, there are others who perpetrate frauds upon the public and merit strict regulation. Among the methods adopted in one chosen by the city of Portland, Oregon, where an ordinance has been adopted which has met the tests of the courts.

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- Nash Four Sedan, 1924
- Oldsmobile Coupe, 1920
- Ford Coupe, 1920
- Cadillac Touring
- Haynes Touring
- Ford Touring
- Ford Racer
- Design Truck

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SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES

Announcements of Services and Sermons for the City Churches. First Baptist Church, corner of Chestnut and Academy streets. Rev. Edson J. Farley, D. D., minister. Morning worship with preaching by the pastor at 10:30. Subject: Wasting the Church. 11:45 a. m. Sunday school. 6:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor meeting. 7:30 p. m. stereoscopic pictures illustrating Educational Work in China.

First Methodist Episcopal church, corner Chestnut and Church streets. John W. Flynn, D. D., pastor. Services of worship at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning sermon subject: The Christian's Kingdom. Evening: The Power of Christ. Bible school session at 11:45 a. m. Epworth League devotion meeting, led by Fred Whitely, at 6:30 p. m.

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TUBERCULAR RABBITS

Conservation Commission in Letter Warns Hunters Against Infected Rabbits. Following is a letter received by Secretary MacEwan of the Chamber of Commerce from the State Conservation Commission asking information as to how to determine whether rabbits found with some apparent infection were fit for human consumption, specifically whether there was any easy way of determining whether rabbits were infected with tuberculosis or not. Doubtless the answer of the commission will prove of interest to many sportsmen in this vicinity for a number of infected rabbits have been taken in this territory.

SOUTHSIDE NOTES.

Surprise Party Given Miss Helen Smith—Floyd Wheelock III with Grip. A surprise party was given Miss Helen Smith Tuesday evening in honor of her birthday. Miss Smith was presented with a number of gifts. Refreshments were served and at a late hour the guests departed wishing Miss Smith many happy returns of the day.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Pursuant to an order of Sheldon B. Borden, surrogate of the County of Otsego, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Nellie J. Borden, deceased, late of the City of Oneonta, in said county, that they are required to exhibit the same, with vouchers therefor, to the undersigned administrator of the estate of the said deceased, at the law office of Owen C. Becker, Esq., in the City of Oneonta, in said county, on or before the 15th day of February next.

OWEN C. BECKER, Esq., Attorney for said administrator, Oneonta, N. Y.

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Hon. D. F. Wilber, who yesterday received from the State Department at Washington, the decoration as 'Commandatore of the Order of the Crown of Italy,' conferred by that government in 1920.

EX-STATE TROOPER SENTENCED TO JAIL

Found Guilty of Transporting Aliens Across Border Into United States

Utica, Dec. 12. — Five years and nine days in Atlantic penitentiary and a fine of \$5,000 was the sentence imposed by Judge Frank Cooper in federal court today on Edward R. Cronk of Malone, former State Trooper, who pleaded guilty to bringing aliens into the United States. Judge Cooper criticized the ex-trooper for his action in thwarting the government.

John Passera of Champlain received two years and four days and a \$4,000 fine for smuggling aliens, and Joseph Orlando of Syracuse got one year and seven days and \$7,000 fine for passing counterfeit money.

Violators of the Volstead law were fined from \$5 to \$1,000.

SOVIET 'DRY' AGENTS HAVE OWN TROUBLES

Vodka of 30 Per Cent Alcohol Not Sufficient for People—Want Up to 95 Per Cent

(By the Associated Press.)

Moscow, Dec. 12. — An "anti-alcohol" fortnight will be inaugurated by the Soviet authorities next week. The move is intended to curb the enormous sale of contraband vodka throughout Russia.

With the approaching Christmas holidays, Russian bootleggers have been growing rich over night. During the last 18 months the authorities discovered 400,000 "home brew" plants and confiscated 2,000,000 gallons of illegally made vodka. They tried 333,000 persons for violation of the liquor law.

It was hoped by the government that its recent decree permitting the manufacturer and sale of vodka with a 30 per cent alcoholic content would bring about cessation of the illicit distilling of the pungent beverage but a majority of the peasants and city dwellers demand vodka ranging from 50 to 95 per cent.

MAY HAVE NEW ARMORY.

Saranac Lake, Dec. 12. — Action of the Essex county board of supervisors in appropriating \$5,000 today to acquire the site of the Saranac Lake Boys' club is regarded here as clearing the way for the location of a new state armory in this village. Tentative plans call for introduction in the legislature this winter of a bill seeking to purchase the boys' club building for use as an armory and headquarters of the third battalion, 105th Infantry, National Guard. If the plan is carried through the armory will be the first to be established in the Adirondacks.

UTICA PAPER DAMAGED.

Utica, Dec. 12. — Fire at the Y. Devel, Welsh National Weekly paper, did damage estimated at \$100,000 tonight. All available newspapers in the city found the flames very hot.

Damage to the press and additional damage to the plant was done by the fire, but the other for a garage and coal pile blaze in a remote section of the city.

WOULD PARDON KIDNAPER.

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 12. — The state board of pardons today received from the board of trustees of the Western prison, Pittsburgh, a recommendation for the pardon of Robert Boyle, now on parole after having served several years of a 10-year sentence for the kidnapping of William Wiltia in Sharon, Pa., in 1908.

SEVERE EARTH SHOCKS.

Rome, Dec. 12. — Earthquake shocks at Trieste, Venice, Padua and the Venetian provinces today caused considerable damage, but thus far no casualties have been reported. Houses fell and walls toppled in many places. The gravest damage was reported to the cathedral at Treviso.

CANADIAN MUST DIE.

Chicago, Dec. 12. — A jury after 24 minutes deliberation today found Russell Scott, former Canadian transatlantic mailer, guilty of the murder of Joseph J. Moore, 23-year-old clerk, during a holiday last April and fixed his punishment as death on the gallows.

WILL EXTEND POWER LINE.

Albany, Dec. 12. — The Public Service commission today granted petition for permission to extend its electric distribution lines in the town of Madison, Oneida county, and approved a franchise granted by the town.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Pursuant to an order of Gordon H. Chen, surrogate of the county of Otsego, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Benjamin E. Nelson, deceased, one of the towns of Otsego, in said county, that they are required to claim the same, with vouchers therefor, in the said surrogate's office, at the town of Otsego, before the 22nd day of May, 1925.

Dated December 12, 1924.

Gordon H. Chen, Surrogate.

AMERICAN SUGAR BUYS NATIONAL

Sale Held Subject to Approval of Proper Legal Authorities—Some Objection

New York, Dec. 12. — Officers and directors of the National Sugar Refining company completed negotiations today to sell the concern to the American Sugar Refining company for \$10,000,000 cash. The sale is held subject to the approval of the proper legal authorities and of the national stockholders. The latter will vote on the plan at a meeting January 12 in Jersey city.

Meanwhile, the protective committee formed recently by some of the National stockholders to prevent the American from absorbing the company "will oppose the present proposition, first, last, and all the time," said Harold G. Aron, counsel. Mr. Aron said the committee would present its side to the attorney general at Washington next Tuesday. This group contends that the American is restrained by an existing federal court decree from extending its present holdings of 25 per cent of stock in the National. Any merger would be illegal, in this opinion, until the decree was modified by the court.

WILL FIGHT HARD TO KEEP MOVING PICTURE CENSORSHIP

New York, Dec. 12. — The Democratic proposal to abolish the motion picture commission will be strongly opposed by political friends of the picture law headed by Assemblyman Clayton, father of the law. Lieutenant Governor-Elect Seymour Lowman said tonight. The commission will come under control of the governor January 1, when the term of Mrs. Helen M. Homer of Buffalo expires.

Mr. Lowman also said that he understood that Assemblyman Jenks has ready a prohibition enforcement act, similar to the Mulligan-Gage act, which was repealed at the instance of Governor Smith. The proposed law, however, Mr. Lowman said, provides that there shall be no search and seizure of contraband liquor without first presenting to a magistrate evidence of the presence of illegal liquors and obtaining a warrant for their seizure.

OFFERS TO FIND HIDDEN LOOT FOR SENTENCE CUT

Chicago, Dec. 12. — Herbert Holliday, implicated in the \$2,000,000 mail train robbery at Rondout, Ill., last June, and sentenced to 25 years in the Leavenworth penitentiary, today offered to tell where more than \$100,000 of the loot is buried, if twenty years is taken off his sentence.

He admitted today that the money is buried in Little Rock, Ark., and in Kansas City, and is in greenbacks or negotiable bonds. Federal officials today advanced the theory that Holliday wishes to get out of prison before Brent Glasscock, who with several others confessed and yesterday was sentenced to 12 years in the penitentiary for the same crime, can get the hidden loot before Glasscock.

U. S. ESSENTIAL TO LEAGUE.

(By the Associated Press.)

Rome, Dec. 12. — The League of Nations can only become truly great when the United States adheres to it in some form or other, said Aristide Briand, former premier of France, to American correspondents tonight.

M. Briand emphasized what he termed the supreme gesture France already has made in accepting the idea of compulsory arbitration for any and all disputes, and by inference laid stress on how important is the appearance of George W. Wickersham, former attorney general of the United States, on the law codification commission.

CROSSING QUESTION SETTLED.

Albany, Dec. 12. — Upon the promise of the Central New England Railway company to install a standard flashing signal as soon as the necessary materials can be secured at the grade crossing of the railway and highway No. 123 at Hopewell Junction, Dutchess county, the Public Service commission today closed upon its records the complaint of the bureau of highways of the state department of public works, asking that the crossing be protected.

FARMERS END SESSIONS.

Poughkeepsie, Dec. 12. — Addresses by Dr. J. H. Willis, F. W. Morgan, and Debra Clark, president of the council of farms and markets, closed the afternoon two-day conference of the Farm Institution of State Institution Farm Workers. The problems of how labor and the canning of fruits and vegetables were considered at the final session. The hundred delegates returned to their homes today.

CROSSING ORDERED CHANGED.

Albany, Dec. 12. — Re-location of the grade crossing of the New York & Pennsylvania railroad and the Ontario & Westernville state highway in the town of Westwood, Schenectady county, was ordered today by the public service commission. The new crossing will be built 500 feet to the north and the present crossing will be closed.

JURY HOLDS SUMMIT FATE.

Schenectady, Dec. 12. — The case of Joe Summit, with two other Chinese charged with murdering Lau Chong Wook, laundryman, was in the hands of the jury tonight. The case went to the jury this afternoon when supreme court Justice Henry V. Force denied motion for a new trial. The jury deliberated on the case at 11 o'clock.

WAVES AT FRIEND KILLED.

Janetown, Dec. 12. — Turner, a head to say "hello" as he drove the automobile past a car, drove into the car, John S. Wiles, 42, for many years a trolley car operator here, today lost control of his machine and was instantly killed when the car went into a ditch on the state highway on the west side of Chautauque lake. The deceased was 47 years old and was employed.

ADDRESSES OLD FELLOWS

Assemblyman STAPLEY, HEAD OF STATE LEGAL AND MOTOR VEHICLE COMMITTEE, EX-PLAINS CHANGES TO STATE LAW GOVERNING AUTOS.

Large Attendance at First Annual Ball Call of P. P. Cooper, Chairman of the City—Mayor DeWitt Clinton, Mayor George H. Brown, Assemblyman Stapley, and many prominent citizens.

Assemblyman Lewis G. Stapley of Geneva, grand patriarch of the Improved Order of Odd Fellows, was the guest of honor and principal speaker at the first annual ball call of P. P. Cooper, chairman, No. 112, which was held in Odd Fellows' hall last night.

The meeting was one of the most largely attended and enthusiastic ever held here by the order. Large delegations attended from Richfield Springs, Oneida, George, Hartwick, Unadilla and other places throughout this section of the state. Among the widely known members of the order who were present, was Past Grand Patriarch William C. Gurney of Binghamton, Past Grand Marshal Sherman J. Stone acted as toastmaster at the banquet.

Assemblyman Stapley, who is chairman of the joint legislative committee on motor vehicles of the New York state legislature, went into a detailed exposition of the present law governing the operation of all kinds of motor vehicles in this state. Mr. Stapley also told the results of the work accomplished by the joint committee and listed more than 20 recommendations which will be placed before the legislature by the committee as additions or changes to the present law which will render the operation of the law more efficient and make the highways of the state safer for both pedestrians and drivers of motor vehicles alike.

Among the recommendations which the committee will make, Assemblyman Stapley listed the following:

1. Do away with all grade crossings throughout the state on public highways at the earliest possible moment.
2. That the state shall take over as soon as possible all bridges on state highways.
3. That no luggage shall be carried on the left running board of any automobile, which projects beyond the width of the running board. That no dogs or other animals shall be carried on the left running board of any automobile unless securely tied or crated.
4. That all license plates shall be carried in the center of the car or on the left fender, preferably in the center of the car.
5. That a heavier penalty be imposed for driving without an operator's license.
6. That license cards must be carried at all times but that it shall not be a misdemeanor if the registration card is not carried.
7. That no distinction shall be made between a chauffeur's and operator's license.
8. That a place be provided on license cards where the record of convictions, if any, of the person to whom it is issued, shall be listed.
9. That learner's permits shall give more complete and comprehensive information.
10. That the end of speed limits in villages be marked.
11. That the words "motor vehicle" be inserted in village ordinances in specifying legal rates of speed.
12. That no car be permitted to make a left hand turn on the top of a hill or on a curve where there is not a clear view ahead.
13. That all trucks and omnibuses pay one-half of the registration fee if registered between July 1 and October 1 and one-quarter of the fee after that period.
14. That all transactions in used cars taken in trade by automobile dealers shall be covered by a minimum charge to be made for such transfer.
15. That the speed limit on country roads be raised from 20 to 25 miles per hour.
16. That every person who drives a motor vehicle be required to have a license.
17. That all lighting devices and candle power of bulbs be approved by the commissioner of motor vehicles.
18. That all tail lamps be at least three inches in diameter.
19. That all colored lights on the front of pleasure cars and busses be eliminated.
20. That all spot lights be eliminated.
21. That all muffler cut-outs be eliminated.
22. That a heavier penalty be provided for overloading trucks.
23. That the width of loads be limited and that the state roads be kept as free from snow as possible.

Past Grand Patriarch Gurney also made an address. District Deputy Grand Patriarch H. E. Melhorn, of Oneonta, who is the representative of Grand Patriarch Stapley here, also attended the meeting.

Deserves Co-operation.

The Chamber of Commerce urges shopping from 10 to 4 in the Christmas season. It is a movement to be carried out by all business organizations. It helps salesfolk, it aids in deliveries, it is better for the shoppers themselves. It also relieves traffic congestion. It should be a custom not confined to the Christmas buying season.

Morning is really the best time to shop. Stores are less congested, clerks have more time to attend to you. It is not well to have salesfolk overworked several hours of the day and then to have them rushed a few hours in the late afternoon.

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BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS

Dem Chief



Flint J. Garrett, Democratic floor leader of the House of Representatives, was stopped at the Capitol just before the opening of the second session of the sixty-eighth Congress.

GOVERNOR PARDONS ONE AND COMMITS SEVEN SENTENCES

Albany, Dec. 12. — A full pardon and seven commutations of sentence granted by Governor Smith today brought to 33 the number of prisoners given reprieves within the past few days.

The pardon was extended to Robert Blalock, convicted in Clinton county of second degree manslaughter and sentenced in November, 1923, to four to ten years. The governor explained Blalock has tuberculosis and heart disease and his poor physical condition, coupled with Blalock's previous good record and his World War service and citations for bravery in action, merited sympathy.

BEAT SON WITH HAMMER.

New York, Dec. 12. — Pleading guilty to beating his 10-year-old son with a hammer, Nicholas Kitesonia, 59 years old, a laborer, today was sentenced to serve a term of from two and one-half to five years in Sing Sing, and fined \$100. Judge Mancuso, who pronounced sentence in the court of general session, said the punishment inflicted on the boy was the most inhuman that has ever come to his attention.

GRAIN SHIPMENTS LESSENED.

Fort William, Ont., Dec. 12. — About 12,000,000 bushels of grain went down the Great Lakes from here in the past week, as compared with 18,000,000 bushels during the same period last year, it was learned at the close of the navigation season today. In spite of bad weather the early part of the week, all the boats cleared on time.

APPROVES NEW WATER SYSTEM.

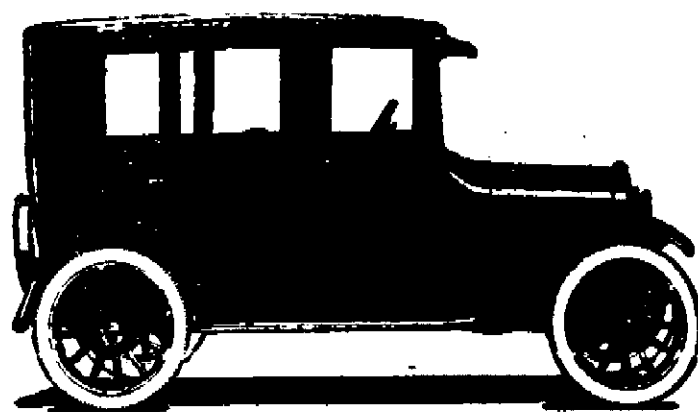
Oneida, Dec. 12. — This city at a special election today approved an appropriation of \$1,500,000 for construction of a new municipal soft water supply system. It is expected work will be begun in the spring and the city will have soft water in 1926.

CANADIAN BANK ROBBED.

Nanaimo, B. C., Dec. 12. — Six or eight men held up the Royal Bank of Canada here today and escaped with a sum estimated at \$50,000, according to police.

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